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IN RE APPLICATION OF: HICKMAN, ET AL.,

APPLICATION NO.:

09/633.497

FILED:

AUGUST 7, 2000

FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ACCESSING A

WIDE AREA NETWORK

EXAMINER: PATEL, A.

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ART UNIT:

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<u>Transmittal</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

#### Sir:

- 1. Transmitted herewith are the following:

  - ☑ Terminal Disclaimer,
  - Petition and Fee to Add to Original Named Inventor(s);
  - Staement of Inventor, Michael L. Gough, Regarding Correction of Inventorship;
  - Consent of Assignee, G&H Nevada-Tek (37 CFR § 1.47(a));
  - Inventorship Declaration by Joint Inventors; and
  - Supplemental Informational Disclosure Statement.

#### 2. Entity Status

Applicants claim Small Entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

### 4. Provisional Fee Authorization

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Respectfully submitted,

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### INTERVIEW SUMMARY AND REMARKS

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Dear Sir:

On June 7, 2006, the undersigned received a telephone call from the Examiner who indicated that this application, and its sibling application U.S. Serial No. 09/631,424, were in condition for allowance as long as a Terminal Disclaimer was filed in each application with respect to their parent application U.S. Serial No. 08/847,921; now U.S. Patent No. 6,996,609. Applicant indicated that he would review the files and call the Examiner back on June 8, 2006.

In a telephone conversation on June 8, 2006, Applicant indicated that he would be filling terminal disclaimers in both applications with traverse in order to expedite the issuance of the patents. Applicant also indicated that he would be filling a supplemental IDS in each application, which the Examiner agreed to consider, and that the Applicant would be reviewing this application for inventorship.

This application is a continuation of parent application No. 08/847,921, now U.S. Patent No. 6,996,609, which claimed the benefit of U.S. Serial Nos. 60/016,680 and 60/016,873. It

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also incorporated by reference U.S. Serial No. 08/847,816, now abandoned. This application has two sibling applications, namely U.S. Serial Nos. 09/631,424 and 11/312,299.

Under the provisions of MPEP §609 and §2001.06(b), the Examiner has already considered the prior art in parent application 08/847,921. The supplemental IDS includes references from U.S. Serial Nos. 08/847,816 and 09/631,424. Applicant respectfully requests the consideration and entry of these references into the record.

A review of the allowed claims indicates that Michael L. Gough is a co-inventor. Enclosed herewith is a Petition to Add to Original Name Inventor.

Applicant believes that this applicant is now in condition for allowance and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: June 8, 2006

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